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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 6753**  
Seishi KATO et al. : Docket No. 2001\_1102A  
Serial No. 09/890,688 : Group Art Unit 1637  
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NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE ENCODING  
A HUMAN PROTEIN  
(Amended)

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated November 28, 2003, the period for response having been extended for three months by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.